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Our Case No.: 659-912

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mlinar, et al.

Examiner: Not Assigned

Serial No.: 10/034,994

Group Art Unit No.: 1772

Filing Date: December 28, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
WEAKENING A PORTION OF A
WEB

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by

the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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JP 03176053 A	07/31/91	Japan

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This Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these materials, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in
the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (use several sheets if necessary)	FILING DATE December 28, 2001	GROUP ART UNIT 1772
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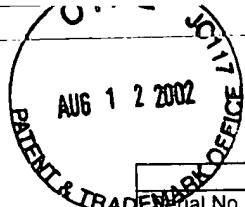
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Title of Invention METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WEAKENING A PORTION OF A WEB			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal letter (in duplicate), Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate) Form PTO-1445, 1 cited reference, and a return postcard.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
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- I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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